## Virginia Office of New Americans Advisory Board Inaugural Meeting Wednesday, January 6, 2021

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

This meeting will take place virtually.

Register here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yak6nvm8">https://tinyurl.com/yak6nvm8</a>

For those unable to join virtually, you may dial in. Phone number: 866-692-4530

Event code: 178 080 7563

**9:00 a.m.** Welcome Seyoum Berhe

Director, Office of New Americans Department of Social Services

Mona H. Siddiqui

Senior Policy Advisor, Office of New Americans

Deputy Chief Diversity Officer

**9:15 a.m.** Remarks The Honorable Ralph S. Northam

Governor of Virginia

The Honorable Janice Underwood

Chief Diversity Officer

The Honorable S. Duke Storen

Commissioner, Department of Social Services

**9:40 a.m.** Introductions Seyoum Berhe

Director, Office of New Americans Department of Social Services

**10:00 a.m.** Remarks Senator Ghazala F. Hashmi

Senate of Virginia, District 10

Delegate Kathy K.L. Tran

Virginia House of Delegates, District 42

**10:15 a.m.** Overview of Office of New Americans

Roles & Responsibilities
Board Election Procedures
Committee Structure

Director, Office of New Americans

Mona H. Siddiqui

Seyoum Berhe

Senior Policy Advisor, Office of New Americans

**10:45** Break

**11:00 a.m.** Board Orientation Susan Whyte, Assistant Attorney General

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11:30 a.m. Landscape of Immigrants in Virginia: Rich Andre

Overview of Data Senior Policy Coordinator, New American

**Economy** 

**12:00 p.m.** Public Comment Grace Reynolds

Program Administration Specialist, Office of New

Americans

**12:15 p.m.** Discussion on Next Steps Seyoum Berhe

Closing Remarks Director, Office of New Americans

Mona Siddiqui

Senior Policy Advisor, Office of New Americans

**12: 30 p.m.** Adjournment Seyoum Berhe

Director, Office of New Americans

<sup>\*2021</sup> Meeting Dates (tentative): April 7, 2021, July 7, 2021, and October 6, 2021